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Title: VIRTUAL POST OFFICE BOX

**STATUS INQUIRY - NEW PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

More than nine (9) months have passed since the Appeal Brief was filed in the above-identified patent application on December 8, 2005. No Communication has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating action on this application.

Therefore, applicant wishes to inquire as to the present status of the above-identified pending patent application.

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